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Sir:

In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the materials enclosed herewith are brought to the attention of the Examiner as possibly being of interest in connection with the above-identified patent application. Consideration of each of the documents listed on the attached 1449 forms is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. § 609, Applicants further request that a copy of the 1449 forms, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next Official Communication.

Applicants also wish to bring the Examiner's attention to the following pending U.S. Applications, as well as any prior art and any provisional U.S. patent applications referenced therein. A copy of each of the below-listed pending U.S. Patent Applications is provided herewith.

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This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/493,301 filed January 28, 2000. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of documents previously cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with Applicants' prior application(s) listed above, are not included herewith.

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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representatives at the belowlisted telephone number, if they can be of any assistance during prosecution of the present application.

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